

## **EXHIBIT A**

### **Retention Order**



Order Filed on June 14, 2023  
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U.S. Bankruptcy Court  
District of New Jersey

In re:  
LTL MANAGEMENT LLC,<sup>1</sup>  
  
Debtor.

Chapter 11

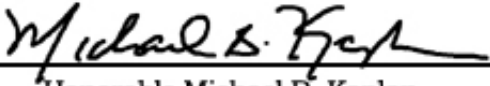
Case No.: 23-12825 (MBK)

Honorable Michael B. Kaplan

**ORDER AUTHORIZING RETENTION AND EMPLOYMENT OF  
OTTERBOURG P.C. AS CO-COUNSEL TO THE OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF  
TALC CLAIMANTS EFFECTIVE AS OF APRIL 14, 2023**

The relief set forth on the following pages is **ORDERED**.

**DATED: June 14, 2023**

  
Honorable Michael B. Kaplan  
United States Bankruptcy Judge

<sup>1</sup> The last four digits of the Debtor's taxpayer identification number are 6622. The Debtor's address is 501 George Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08933.

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Upon consideration of the Official Committee of Talc Claimants' *Application for Retention of Professional, Otterbourg P.C., Effective as of April 14, 2013* (the "Application"),<sup>2</sup> pursuant to sections 328 and 1103(a) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Rule 2014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), and Local Rule 2014-1 of the Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey (the "Local Rules"), authorizing and approving the employment of Otterbourg P.C. ("Otterbourg") as co-counsel to the Official Committee of Talc Claimants (the "Committee") appointed in the above-captioned bankruptcy case (the "Case") of LTL Management LLC's (the "Debtor"), effective as of April 14, 2023; and the certifications of Melanie L. Cyganowski submitted in support of the Application; and the verified statement submitted by the Committee in support of the Application; and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Application and the relief requested therein being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and the Committee having provided adequate and appropriate notice of the Application under the circumstances; and after due deliberation and good and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

1. The Application is GRANTED as set forth herein.
2. The Committee is authorized pursuant to sections 328(a) and 1103(a) of the Bankruptcy Code to retain and employ Otterbourg as co-counsel to the Committee effective as of April 14, 2023.
3. Otterbourg shall apply for compensation for professional services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with this Case as set forth in the Application and in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the

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<sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Application.

Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and any other applicable procedures or orders of this Court.

4. At least ten (10) days before implementing any increases in Otterbourg's rates for professionals in this Case, Otterbourg shall file a supplemental affidavit with the Court explaining the basis for the rate increases in accordance with section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code. All parties in interest, including the U.S. Trustee, retain all rights to object to any rate increase on all grounds, including the reasonableness standard provided for in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code.

5. The Committee and Otterbourg are authorized and empowered to take all actions necessary to implement the relief granted in this Order.

6. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from the implementation of this Order.

7. Notwithstanding any provision in the Bankruptcy Rules to the contrary, this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

8. Further terms of this Order shall be as follows:

- (i) Otterbourg will only bill 50% for non-working travel and shall not seek the reimbursement of any fees or costs, including attorney fees and costs, arising from the defense of any of Otterbourg's fee applications in this Case;
- (ii) Otterbourg will agree to make a reasonable effort to comply with the U.S. Trustee's requests for information and additional disclosures as set forth in the *Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases Effective as of November 1, 2013* (the "U.S. Trustee Guidelines");
- (iii) Otterbourg will use the billing and expense categories set forth in the U.S. Trustee Guidelines (Exhibit D-1 "Summary of Compensation Requested by Project Category"), and may use additional categories that provide additional detail on work performed;
- (iv) Otterbourg will provide any and all monthly fee statements, interim fee applications, and final fee applications in "LEDES" format to the U.S. Trustee;
- (v) any and all compensation to be paid to Otterbourg for services rendered

on the Committee's behalf shall be fixed by application to this Court in accordance with sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, such Federal Rules and Local Rules as may then be applicable, and any orders entered in this Case governing the compensation and reimbursement of professionals for services rendered and charges and disbursements incurred;

- (vi) Otterbourg shall use its best efforts to avoid duplication of services provided by any of the Committee's other retained professionals in this Case;
- (vii) Otterbourg shall not charge a markup with respect to fees billed by contract attorneys or independent contractors or subcontractors who are hired by Otterbourg to provide services in this matter and shall ensure that any such contract attorneys or independent contractors or subcontractors are subject to conflict checks and disclosures in accordance with the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules; and
- (viii) To the extent the Pre-Petition Balance, as determined by agreement of Otterbourg and the Debtor or by order of the Court in the event an objection is raised, is not paid by the Debtor, Otterbourg shall waive any amounts owed in excess of the allowed amount of the Pre-Petition Balance.